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► Community Meetings on Water Quality Planning

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is seeking public input on a comprehensive surface water quality study for the lower Pecos River watershed and its tributaries, from Fort Sumner Dam to the NM/TX border (including Rio Ruidoso, Rio Hondo, Rio Bonito, and Rio Penasco). The results will be used to determine the status of water quality within the watershed, track water quality improvements and identify impaired waterbodies.

Four public meetings for the Lower Pecos Watershed will be held:

- **Fort Sumner, NM: February 25, 2003, De Baca County Courthouse Annex, 548 Avenue C, 6:30-8:30;**
- **Carlsbad, NM: February 26, 2003, Carlsbad Public Library Annex, 101 S Halagueno, 6:30-8:30;**
- **Roswell, NM: March 3, 2003, US Bureau of Land Management District Library, 2909 W 2nd St., 6:30-8:30;**
- **Ruidoso, NM: March 4, 2003, Ruidoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., 6:30-8:30.**

The NMED is seeking opinions of area residents, and tribal and governmental agencies on areas of concern that may not have been included in the preliminary study design. The meeting is a forum for interested parties to ask questions and provide comments.

Topics include:

- Monitoring plan for Lower Pecos Watershed;
- Future Total Maximum Daily Load development;
- Pollution control measures; and
- Summer field demonstrations.



Rio Ruidoso Below Ruidoso Wastewater Treatment Plant

See the [Public Notice](#) for more details